Appendix A

AP BIOLOGY EQUATIONS AND FORMULAS

STATISTICAL ANALYSIS AND PROBABILITY

Standard Error	Mean
$SE_{\overline{x}} = \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$	$\overline{x} = \frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i$
Standard Deviation	**Chi-Square**
$s = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (x_i - \overline{x})^2}{n-1}}$	$\chi^2 = \sum \frac{(o-e)^2}{e}$

s = sample standard deviation (i.e., the sample based estimate of the standard deviation of the population)

$\overline{x}$ = mean

n = size of the sample

o = observed individuals with observed genotype

e = expected individuals with observed genotype

Degrees of freedom equals the number of distinct possible outcomes minus one.

CHI-SQUARE TABLE

	Degrees of Freedom							
p	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
0.05	3.84	5.99	7.82	9.49	11.07	12.59	14.07	15.51
0.01	6.64	9.32	11.34	13.28	15.09	16.81	18.48	20.09

LAWS OF PROBABILITY

If A and B are mutually exclusive, then P (A or B) = P(A) + P(B)

If A and B are independent, then P (A and B) = P(A) x P(B)

HARDY-WEINBERG EQUATIONS

$p^2 + 2pq + q^2 = 1$

$p + q = 1$

p = frequency of the dominant allele in a population

q = frequency of the recessive allele in a population

METRIC PREFIXES

Factor	Prefix	Symbol
10^9	giga	G
10^6	mega	M
10^3	kilo	k
10^{-2}	centi	c
10^{-3}	milli	m
10^{-6}	micro	μ
10^{-9}	nano	n
10^{-12}	pico	p

Mode = value that occurs most frequently in a data set

Median = middle value that separates the greater and lesser halves of a data set

Mean = sum of all data points divided by number of data points

Range = value obtained by subtracting the smallest observation (sample minimum) from the greatest (sample maximum)

RATE AND GROWTH

Rate

dY/dt

Population Growth

dN/dt=B-D

Exponential Growth

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = r_{max}N$$

Logistic Growth

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = r_{max}N\left(\frac{K-N}{K}\right)$$

dY= amount of change

t = time

B = birth rate

D = death rate

N = population size

K = carrying capacity

r_{max} = maximum per capita growth rate of population

Temperature Coefficient Q_{10}

$$Q_{10} = \left(\frac{k_2}{k_1}\right)^{\frac{10}{t_2 - t_1}}$$

Primary Productivity Calculation

mg O_2/L x 0.698 = mL O_2 /L

mL O_2/L x 0.536 = mg carbon fixed/L

t_2 = higher temperature

t_1 = lower temperature

k_2 = metabolic rate at t_2

k_1 = metabolic rate at t_1

Q_{10} = the *factor* by which the reaction rate increases when the temperature is raised by ten degrees

Water Potential (Ψ)

Ψ = Ψp + Ψs

Ψp = pressure potential

Ψs = solute potential

The water potential will be equal to the solute potential of a solution in an open container, since the pressure potential of the solution in an open container is zero.

The Solute Potential of the Solution

Ψs = – iCRT

i = ionization constant (For sucrose this is 1.0 because sucrose does not ionize in water.)

C = molar concentration

R = pressure constant (R = 0.0831 liter bars/mole K)

T = temperature in Kelvin (273 + °C)

SURFACE AREA AND VOLUME

Volume of a Sphere

$V = 4/3\ \pi\ r^3$

Volume of a Cube (or Square Column)

V = l w h

Volume of a Column

$V = \pi\ r^2\ h$

Surface Area of a Sphere

$A = 4\ \pi\ r^2$

Surface Area of a Cube

A = 6 a

Surface Area of a Rectangular Solid

A = Σ (surface area of each side)

r = radius

l = length

h = height

w = width

A = surface area

V = volume

Σ = Sum of all

a = surface area of one side of the cube

Dilution – used to create a dilute solution from a concentrated stock solution

$C_iV_i = C_fV_f$

i = initial (starting)

C = concentration of solute

f = final (desired)

V = volume of solution

Gibbs Free Energy

$\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S$

ΔG = change in Gibbs free energy

ΔS = change in entropy

ΔH = change in enthalpy

T= absolute temperature (in Kelvin)

pH = – log [H+]